



The Idaho Transportation Department is studying 134 miles of Idaho 55 from New Meadows to Marsing. The study will result in a long-range plan that will help ITD prioritize improvements to the roadway.

NEW  
MEADOWS

MCCALL

DONNELLY

CASCADE

HORSESHOE  
BEND

EAGLE

CALDWELL

BOISE

MERIDIAN

NAMPA

MARSING



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## IDAHO 55 CORRIDOR STUDY NEWSLETTER VALLEY COUNTY

The Idaho Transportation Department has hosted 12 public meetings in counties along Idaho 55 to gather comments about corridor needs and future improvements.

Look inside to read what we learned in Valley County.





## About the Idaho 55 Corridor Study

Idaho 55 is one of the few north-south corridors that connects southern and central Idaho. It begins

in New Meadows, runs through six counties and ends just outside Marsing. More than 110 miles of the highway are designated the Payette River Scenic Byway for the beautiful mountain forests and whitewater rapids along the way.

The Idaho 55 corridor study includes 134 miles and six counties from New Meadows to Marsing. It involves:

- **Developing a long-range plan** that will help set policies and projects over the next 20 years.
- **Identifying current and future needs.** ITD will consider safety, access, traffic and environmental issues.
- **Gathering information** from engineering studies, community input, and city, county and highway district goals.
- **Setting priorities for improvements.**



**For more information** about the Idaho 55 Corridor Study, visit [itd.idaho.gov](http://itd.idaho.gov) and select *Projects, Southwest Idaho* and *Idaho 55 Corridor Study*, or contact:

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### ITD Public Involvement

Persons needing an interpreter or special accommodations are urged to contact the Public Involvement Coordinator at (208) 334-4444 or TDD/TDY (208) 334-4458.

Se les recomienda a las personas que necesiten un intérprete o arreglos especiales que llamen al coordinador de participación público al (208) 334-4444 ó TDD/TDY (208) 334-4458.

# THANK YOU!

Approximately 61 people attended the workshops in summer 2009 in Cascade. The workshops focused on improvements to Idaho 55 in Valley County.

## WHAT WE HEARD

Participants at the Cascade workshops asked ITD to improve:

### SAFETY

- Reduce speed limit on Idaho 55.
- Add passing lanes on Idaho 55.
- Add left turn lanes at busy intersections.

### TRAFFIC FLOW

- Add stoplights at various locations.
- Add a couplet through Cascade.
- Make Idaho 55 four lanes.
- Pursue a bypass around McCall or other areas.

### SPECIFIC LOCATIONS

Several participants identified specific intersections or mileposts for improvement. A detailed summary of comments is available at [www.itd.idaho.gov/Projects/D3/ID55Corridor](http://www.itd.idaho.gov/Projects/D3/ID55Corridor).

## STUDY SCHEDULE

- The draft corridor plan will be available for review in summer 2010.
- The Idaho Transportation Board will adopt the final corridor plan in fall/winter 2010.